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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: GATT, ETRD, UR

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE USSR PARTICIPATION IN MTN

WHITE HOUSE PASS PALM SPRINGS FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM TOM ENDERS THROUGH SONNENFELDT

1. DENT HAS CLEARED WITH SIMON AND IS SEEKING OUR
CLEARANCE ON CABLE INSTRUCTING AMBASSADOR STOESSEL THAT
IF SOVIETS PURSUE QUESTION OF MTN WITH HIM HE SHOULD
RESPOND THAT OUR INITIAL REACTION IS FAVORABLE, BUT WE
BELIEVE BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ON THIS COMPLICATED ISSUE
WOULD BE WARRANTED. SIMILAR RESPONSE WOULD BE MADE IF
SOVIETS RAISE SUBJECT IN JOINT COMMISSION MEETING. CABLE
GOES ON TO NOTE PRESENCE ON US DELEGATION TO COMMISSION OF
STR AND TREASURY EXPERTS ON MTN.

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2. WE HAVE HAD INDICATIONS DENT INTENDS TO PRESS SIMON TO TAKE THIS MATTER UP WITH SOVIETS BUT STR OFFICIALS DENY THIS.

3. I THINK APPROACH OUTLINED DENT CABLE WOULD BE INADVISABLE, BOTH FOR TACTICAL REASONS WITH SOVIETS AND BECAUSE WE SHOULD MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTROL OVER THIS SUBJECT. MEMO YOU HAVE WITH YOU ON SOVIET PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ARRANGEMENTS DISCUSSES THIS SUBJECT.

4. ACCORDINGLY, I RECOMMEND CABLE FROM YOU TO SIMON AS FOLLOWS: AT COMMISSION MEETING I BELIEVE US SHOULD AVOID RAISING QUESTION OF POSSIBLE SOVIET PARTICIPATION IN MTN. US POSTURE ON SOVIET PARTICIPATION IN MTN IS PART OF OVERALL DEVELOPING US POLICY CONCERNING SOVIET RELATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH NOW UNDER REVIEW. I WOULD BE SURPRISED IF SOVIETS RAISE THIS SUBJECT. SHOULD THEY DO SO, WE SHOULD INDICATE THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THIS FURTHER THOUGHT.

5. ROBINSON CONCURS. INGERSOLL

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